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SUBJ: MODE - EVALUATION PERSONNEL LEVELS BY CHIEF OF MISSION

REF: STATE 66110

1. FOR DEPUTY UNDER SECRETARY FOR MANAGEMENT READ FROM AMBASSADOR.
 2. DURING MY WASHINGTON CONSULTATIONS IN PREPARATION FOR TAKING OVER HERE AND IN MY DISCUSSIONS AND OBSERVATIONS SINCE ARRIVING, I HAVE BORNE VERY MUCH IN MIND THE PRESIDENT'S (AND MY OWN) BELIEF THAT WE MUST FIND WAYS OF CARRYING OUT OUR OVERSEAS RESPONSIBILITIES WITH FEWER PEOPLE. WE WILL CONTINUE TO REASSESS THE PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS OF ALL AGENCIES OF THIS MISSION AND ATTEMPT WHEREVER POSSIBLE TO TIGHTEN OUR OPERATIONS, IMPROVE PRODUCTIVITY THROUGH AUTOMATION AND BETTER MANAGEMENT, AND ELIMINATE MARGINAL ACTIVITIES SO WE CAN CUT POSITIONS. THE RECENT REDUCTION OF JUSMAGG PERSONNEL BY 20 PERCENT SEEMS TO ME STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION AND GIVES US A CHANCE TO TEST WHETHER WE CAN GET THE SAME BANG FROM FEWER
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3. FOR THE MOMENT I HAVE ONLY ONE ADDITIONAL OBSERVATION ON THIS SUBJECT BEYOND THOSE I HAVE READ IN 77 ATHENS 10692, 6327 AND 6328. IN OUR ZEAL TO REDUCE OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT AND EXPENDITURES WE MUST BE CAREFUL TO CUT IN THE RIGHT PLACES SO WE DO NOT UNDULY HAMSTRING OUR ABILITY TO

CARRY OUT EQUALLY HIGH PRIORITY OBJECTIVES. I AM
REFERRING TO THE SITUATION EXPERIENCED A
MONTH OR SO AGO BEFORE MY ARRIVAL WHEN THE POST RECEIVED A LETTER
FROM PRESIDENT CARTER AFFIRMING THE HIGHEST PRIORITY FOR U.S.
TRADE EXPANSION ABROAD AND AT ALMOST THE SAME TIME WAS NOTIFIED
BY THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE THAT IT INTENDED TO
DISCONTINUE THE SMALL REGIONAL TRADE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE
IN ATHENS WHICH PROVIDES EXPORT PROMOTION SERVICES TO
NEARLY 200 U.S. FIRMS IN ATHENS DOING BUSINESS IN THE
MIDDLE EAST (ATHENS 1129).
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